A PROCLAMATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF MORGAN HILL PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Ordinance number 706 (Municipal Code Chapter 2.44) of the City of Morgan Hill empowers the City Manager, as Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim, subject to ratification by the City Council within seven (7) days, the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City of Morgan Hill (the "City") is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Morgan Hill does hereby find:

That conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the Santa Clara County caused by COVID-19, a respiratory disease that may result in serious illness or death and is easily transmissible from person to person; and

That efforts to reduce the spread of the COVID-19 disease will result in the disruption of City programs and services, and may require City facilities to be closed; and

That these conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of said City, and:

That the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session:

NOW, THEREFORE, THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, RESOLVE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. That the existence of a local emergency is hereby proclaimed throughout the City; and
- Section 2. That during the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the City shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances, and resolutions of the City Council and the City's Emergency Operations Plan; and
- Section 3. That the Emergency Services Coordinator, or his/her designee, is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the City of Morgan Hill for public and individual assistance for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance; and

Section 4. This Proclamation shall remain in effect until such time as it is continued or terminated by the City Council of the City of Morgan Hill.

DATE: 3/13/2020

Christina J. Turner

Director of Emergency Services/City Manager

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Irma Torrez City Clerk

Donald A. Larkin

City Attorney